

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following paragraphs after paragraph [0024]:

According to a general aspect, there is provided a fishing rod which comprises a fishing rod shaft having a primary reel seat and at least one guiding eyelet extending from the fishing rod shaft for guiding a fishing line along the fishing rod shaft; a hollow cylinder having an outer surface, a longitudinal cavity defined therein, and a cylinder mounting foot protruding outwardly from the outer surface, the cylinder mounting foot being juxtaposed to and releasably engaged with the primary reel seat for mounting the hollow cylinder to the fishing rod shaft; and an auxiliary reel seat having a reel mounted thereto through a reel mounting foot, at least a portion of the auxiliary reel seat being releasably and slidably inserted into the cavity of the hollow cylinder with the reel extending outwardly therefrom, the at least one guiding eyelet guiding a fishing line from the reel along the fishing rod shaft by receiving the fishing line therethrough.

According to another general aspect, there is provided a fishing rod comprising a fishing rod shaft with a primary reel seat and at least one guiding eyelet extending from the fishing rod shaft; a hollow cylinder having a cylindrical wall defining a longitudinal cavity, an outer surface and an insertion opening, the hollow cylinder having a cylinder mounting foot extending outwardly from the outer surface of the cylindrical wall, the cylinder mounting foot being releasably engaged with the primary reel seat for mounting the hollow cylinder to the fishing rod shaft; and an auxiliary reel seat releasably and slidably inserted into the longitudinal cavity of the hollow cylinder, the auxiliary reel seat having a reel mounted thereon, the reel extending outwardly through the insertion opening, the at least one guiding eyelet guiding a fishing line from the reel along the fishing rod shaft by receiving the fishing line therethrough.

According to a further general aspect, there is provided a fishing rod comprising: a fishing rod shaft with a reel seat mounted to the fishing rod shaft; a hollow cylinder having a cylindrical wall defining an outer surface, a longitudinal cavity therein and an insertion opening therein, a cylinder mounting foot protruding outwardly from the outer surface, and a coil spring disposed inside said hollow cylinder at a closed end thereof, the cylinder mounting foot being releasably engaged with the reel seat for mounting the hollow cylinder to the fishing rod shaft; and a reel and reel seat assembly having a reel mounted to an auxiliary reel seat through a reel mounting foot, at least a portion of the auxiliary reel seat being releasably and slidably inserted into the

cavity of the hollow cylinder with the reel extending outwardly therefrom through the insertion³ opening, said coil spring being compressed when the at least a portion of the auxiliary reel seat is inserted inside said hollow cylinder.

Please replace paragraph [0026] with the following amended paragraph:

[0026] FIG. 1a is a perspective side elevation view with sections taken out illustrating part of ~~the~~ a fly fishing rod having a detachable reel seat in accordance with a first embodiment of the present invention with the reel seat being mounted to the fishing rod, FIG. 1b is a side elevation view of the detachable reel seat being detached from or mounted to the fly fishing rod, and FIG. 1c is a side elevation view of the detachable reel seat detached from the remainder of the fishing rod;

Please replace paragraph [0027] with the following amended paragraph:

[0027] FIG. 2a is a perspective view illustrating a sleeve-like adapter having a reel mounted thereto and the device which allows the present invention to be used on any existing rod. The main piece of this second embodiment of the present invention is a cylinder with an opening, which runs from its top down along one side, and adapted for receiving the sleeve-like adapter therein, the sleeve-like adapter being shown before being inserted in the opening of the cylinder and FIG. 2b is a perspective view of the sleeve-like adapter after the adapter has been inserted in the opening of the cylinder; -It is into this opening that the reel seat and the reel are inserted.

Please replace paragraph [0028] with the following amended paragraph:

[0028] FIG. 3 is a perspective view illustrating the ~~device~~ sleeve-like adapter and the cylinder shown described in FIGS. 2a and 2b once installed in place, behind the handgrip and on the original reel seat of the rod, where the reel is normally attached;

Please replace paragraph [0029] with the following amended paragraph:

[0029] FIG. 4a is a perspective view illustrating a waist holder of the present invention with ~~the device~~ cylinder on the waist holder is the same device (described shown in FIGS. 2a, 2b and 3) used mounted thereto to hold or release the additional reel seat on a conventional rod and Fig. 4b is an exploded perspective view, of the waist holder and the cylinder; and-

Please replace paragraph [0030] with the following amended paragraph:

[0030] FIG. 5a is a perspective view illustrating a fishing vest or life jacket with a band, FIG. 5b is a cross-section view of the fishing vest or life jacket with the band, and FIG. 5c is a perspective view of the fishing vest or life jacket with the band having how the waist holder and the cylinder, ~~the part of the present invention shown~~ described in FIGS. 4a and 4b, ~~is installed on a fishing vest or life jacket mounted thereto~~, close to the fisherman's waist.